

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2867**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member De Leon**

February 22, 2008

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An act to add Section 53545.15 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to housing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2867, as introduced, De Leon. Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund of 2006: green construction.

The Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006 authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$2,850,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law. Proceeds from the sale of these bonds are required to be deposited in the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund of 2006, which the act establishes in the State Treasury, and used to finance various existing housing programs, capital outlay related to infill development, brownfield cleanup that promotes infill development, and housing-related parks.

This bill would require the Department of Housing and Community Development to adopt regulations establishing a mechanism to rank approved applications of housing loan and grant programs funded through the fund. The bill would require the ranking mechanism to allocate priority points for housing projects that are energy efficient and utilize green construction methods in their development.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 53545.15 is added to the Health and  
2     Safety Code, to read:  
3     53545.15. The Department of Housing and Community  
4     Development shall adopt regulations establishing a mechanism to  
5     rank approved applications of housing loan and grant programs  
6     funded through the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund  
7     of 2006, in addition to any other requirements that are applicable  
8     to those funds. The ranking mechanism shall assign priority points  
9     for housing projects that are energy efficient and utilize green  
10    construction methods in their development.

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